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Federal Communications Commission
1919 M Street N.W., 222
Washington, D.C. 20554

Attn: FCC Docket 92-235

It is my understanding that the FCC is proposing rules which would severely limit transmission power levels and frequencies.

We currently have 2 fixed stations, 50 mobile units and 7 portable units for the county and township highway departments. We use a repeater system with the antenna halfway up a 500 ft. antenna. This antenna was installed on our property by Toledo Edison for a county wide communication network of fire, police, E.M.S., highway, sheriff etc. because of the Davis-Besse Nuclear Power Station located here. The Nuclear Regulatory Commission requires a good communication network for annual drills and heaven forbid, in the event of a nuclear disaster.

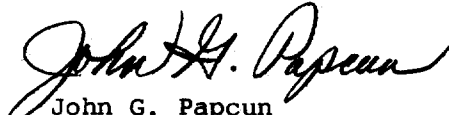
Your proposed rules would wipe out our current system, create an expensive replacement problem and seriously affect our ability to cope with any natural or man made disaster. In fact, the equipment which would be required is not even currently on the market.

Now that we finally have a system that works well and have cooperation among all the local agencies, along comes "Big Brother" with another mandate without any funding.

You should contact your counter parts at the Nuclear Regulatory Commission before promulgating any more new rules and regulations.

I trust that you will carefully weigh both sides of this issue before reaching a decision if you have not already done so.

Respectfully submitted,


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